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MCGHEE'S SPEECH.

A Good Talk Delivered Before the Republican Club.

Once a Democrat But Now a Supporter of McKinley.

The second meeting of the Republican Club was held at the court house on Tuesday night. The report of the committee who were appointed to draft constitution and by-laws was received and adopted. By a unanimous vote it was decided that the organization hereafter be known as "The McKinley-Roosevelt Club."

The principal feature of the gathering, however, was to listen to a reply to Congressman Vandiver's speech of September 22, by Prof. J. S. McGhee of this city.

The speaker was presented to the club by Mr. B. F. Davis in a few well-chosen and appropriate words.

Prof. McGhee, for the past twenty years or more has been a citizen of this city—a gentleman who is known by almost every school child and who has heretofore been known as a staunch Democrat. Upon taking the floor he was received with loud applause. He said in part:

"This is an age of freedom of thought, this is an age of education and advancement; this is an age of freedom of speech; this is an age of expansion. (loud applause) Call me what you will, say what you will. Circumstances often change a man's views. We should not shrink from our duty when we realize it. We should approach it in a sane and sober spirit, as each man and woman approaches a task involving the most serious duties of life. As regards the monetary question I always have and always will stand firm for a stable currency." (applause) Here the Prof. went into detail in regards to the output of Alaskan gold. "Time and experience have proved that we are right. The wise man changes his opinion, the fool never."

Then touching upon the subject of imperialism he went back to the days of the revolution, to the purchase of the territory of Louisiana and its admittance into the Union. He said in substance: "What can a people mean by the cry of expansion, imperialism, Emperor McKinley, King McKinley and such nonsense. Why it is bosh. Can it be possible that any American citizen will allow his mind to be poisoned by such falsehoods and predictions as are thrown at this government, over which rules the greatest and grandest administration we have ever known. (loud applause) I remember on the morning when the wires ticked Dewey's victory in Manila Bay, the tears of joy and pride that passed through my every vein. Then there was no north, no south, no east, no west, no political factions—we were all Americans. We entered that contest for the sake of humanity. Blood flowed freely. We once more realized the horror of war. It was duty's call to which we promptly responded at the cost of the life of some of the grandest patriots that ever trod mother earth. By this act the sovereignty of Spain was crushed for ever and ever in the West India Islands and the far east. Some now would have us undo that which was done in the interest of humanity and civilization. Bryan, for instance, turned a double summersault and light with both feet upon the treaty which he advocated, accusing the Republican party of trying to shoot civilization into the Philippines."

A great task lies before us, the task of bringing orderly liberty to the people of the Philippine Islands. That is what we have promised, and we will see to it that it is followed by a sufficient quantity of performance. We hear a good deal recently of the Declaration of Independence, of the doctrines of the consent of the governed. That doctrine was enunciated in 1776, but three-quarters of a century went by before we realized the performance in this country. It could only be attained step by step. Now the Democrats talk of liberty to the Filipinos. The Filipinos shall have their liberty. They shall have a measure of liberty of which they have been in absolute ignorance throughout the ages. They shall have such liberty as they have never known under Spanish rule. They shall have liberty, but they shall have it under the American flag."

Our authority stands over the Philippines now, if we shrink back from

the task that is before us, it will mean to do the work over again at some future time. If we shrink from that duty now we shall have shown ourselves as a nation to have ended ingloriously a career that began gloriously. It remains for us to show the nations of the world that where the American flag has been hoisted in honor it shall never be pulled down in dishonor."

In a Pauper's Grave.

The Reverend Edward Dunbar, who wrote the old religious song, "There's a Light in the Window for Thee, Brother," sleeps in a pauper's grave at Coffeyville, Kansas, where he died a tramp in the town jail, ten years ago, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. His name became a by-word in the places where he was known, and from a prison cell he went forth a vagabond on the face of the earth. In 1867 he was arrested at Leavenworth, while engaged in holding a series of revival meetings, and taken to Minneapolis, where he was tried for bigamy, convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary for three years and eight months. One night in the spring of 1889, Dunbar applied at the Coffeyville jail for lodging. He was ill, and the authorities took him in. He died the next day. Papers in his pockets revealed his identity, and showed that he had tramped all over the country. Some church people have lately erected a marble slab over his grave, on which these words are inscribed: "Here lies Edward Dunbar, who wrote 'There's a Light in the Window for Thee, Brother.'"

Chinese Massacred by Russian Troops.

"Authentic accounts have been received here," says the Moscow correspondent of the Standard, of a horrible massacre at Blagovestchensk, which was undoubtedly carried out under direct orders from the Russian authorities, and which then lost the tide of slaughter throughout Amur. The entire Chinese population of 5000 souls was escorted out of town to a spot five miles up the Amur, and then, being led in batches of a few hundred to the river bank, were ordered to cross over to the Chinese side.

No boats were provided, and the river is a mile wide. The Chinese were flung alive into the stream and were stabbed or shot at the least resistance, while Russian volunteers, who lined the bank, clubbed or shot any who attempted to land. No one escaped alive. The river bank for miles was strewn with corpses."

Harry Ward's Magnificent Minstrels.

The positive date for the appearance of Harry Ward's Magnificent Minstrels has been agreed upon for Sept. 29 at the Opera House and we will shortly have an opportunity of witnessing what is promised to be not only the greatest company ever organized, but the most varied program yet presented, embracing everything in the minstrel line, that is entertaining and in pace with the times. Mr. Ward brings to us the best minstrel show of the season, and will no doubt pack the house, as his past reputation as a promoter of up-to-date minstrelsy places him at the head of his profession.

China Has Turned Against the Boxers.

The Chinese authorities are trying to make peace with Christendom by turning against the Boxers. The Empress Dowager is taking no half-way measures against the rebels. At least the imperial edicts, which have an earnest ring. They no longer order the dispersion of the Boxers, but command their extermination.

This is the effect of a cablegram received at the State Department from Consul Fowler at Che Foo. It says both the civil and military officials of the province of Chi Li have been directed to exterminate the Boxers.

E. F. Blomeyer Promoted.

Mr. E. F. Blomeyer has been promoted from Auditor of the Southern Missouri and Arkansas to Second Vice-President and Traffic Manager of the road. This a merited promotion. Mr. Blomeyer is one of the best posted young railroad men in the State. He knows the railroad business from the railroad spike to the fast train. He is a young man who makes friends for the railroad with which he is connected and he is therefore a valuable man to the S. M. & A.

To First Voters.

You are young men casting your first ballot. We congratulate you. We also call your attention to Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin for Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache and Stomach Trouble. At J. Maple Wilson and I. Ben Miller.



TERRIBLE SCENE ALONG THE WRECKED DOCK.

It will take years to restore the fine wharf a salvation to anything like its former state. It is completely wrecked and the wharf is entirely destroyed. A great loss of property has been sustained. Boats were washed inward and scattered with the wreckage of trains. The tracks leading to the pier are damaged.

New York and Imperialism.

Mr. Bryan professes to be satisfied that he can carry the State of New York, and he expects, of course, to carry it upon the imperialism issue. But that imperialism is not a severe blemish in the Empire State appears in the fact that the New York Democrats at Saratoga the other day nominated for governor John B. Stanchfield of Elmira, who is opposed to the whole Bryan theory of dealing with our new territory. He is an out-and-out imperialist—much more so than are some Republicans. Mr. Stanchfield was a speaker at a dinner of the New York Amateur College Alumni Association at Delmonico's on the evening of February 17 last. The Star's report of the dinner at the time read as follows:

When Mr. Stanchfield was called he stepped from behind the speakers' table to the floor and said:

"I am just enough of a Democrat to take the floor and be on its equality. On the other hand, I am just enough of a Republican, let me say, to advocate the strongest terms that we uphold the Administration until all the fruits of its efforts are tied to us with a bond of the strongest iron. (Cheers) We are now at a critical stage. Every one knows, the whole world knows, that we entered upon the Spanish war with the best of purposes and motives, and who can rightly forbid our taking the fruits?"

The question is not one of territorial expansion, of aggrandizement. That was settled for all eternity when Admiral Dewey planted the flag on the Philippine Islands. The question is not of expansion, but deciding that we shall do with these islands and their people."

This would seem to be an indication that imperialism has not lodged itself very deeply as a grievance in the hearts of New York Democrats. Had it done so, it is certain that such utterances, publicly made and known, would have been called up on floor of the convention, even if they had not prevented the nomination of Mr. Stanchfield.—St. Louis Star.

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Under Woman's Rule.

Dissatisfied with the progress of the town under masculine rule, the women of Healdsburg, Cal., gently but firmly took possession of the reins and are now driving the municipal coach their own way. Their organization is called the Ladies' Improvement Club of Healdsburg, and it was formed in August of last year. Since that time—in the short space of twelve months—this is what the club has accomplished:

- A municipal water system.
- A municipal electric light plant.
- Comfortable seats placed in the plaza.

- Names given to the streets.
- Signboards with street names placed at street corners.

- A drinking fountain for the plaza, costing \$600.

All these improvements have been discussed for years by the men. It remained for the women to make them realities. And, with the exception of the electric light plant and the water system, the city taxes have not been increased as much as a farthing to pay for these things.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

A Letter From Texas.

AUSTIN, TEX., Sept. 23, 1900. William H. Goever, Mayor, Cape Girardeau, Mo., Dear Sir:—I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge receipt of your remittance of \$150.00, as a donation from the citizens of your town, for the use of the flood sufferers of Texas, and to extend to you, and through you, to the donors thereof, his sincere appreciation of their action in the premises.

Very truly yours,
N. A. Cravens,
Private Secretary.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is now for sale by I. Ben Miller and J. Maple Wilson.

NOTICE.

Beginning with six o'clock A. M. Wednesday, September 28th, 1900, the Depot of the S. M. & A. R. R. in this city will be abandoned as a Passenger Station and passenger trains into and out of Cape Girardeau will arrive at and depart from the Riverview Hotel, foot of Broadway, and the Ticket Office will be located in the Riverview Hotel.

E. W. COVER, Supt.
Cape Girardeau, Mo., Sept. 20, 1900.

WILL RAISE HARES.

Cape Man to Open up a New Industry. W. W. Durham of this city intends to experiment with the Belgian Hare. He recently received three magnificent animals from California, a buck and two does, and will start a rabbitry at his home. In anticipation of the arrival of the hares he has already fixed up a nice home for them in his yard and the stragglers will be well taken care of. They do not appear to mind the change from California to Missouri and will no doubt soon become acclimated. The animals purchased by Mr. Durham are of fine breed and are beautiful specimens of their species.

Lately Belgian hares have become all the rage in various sections of this country. They breed rapidly and those who have raised them have found them quite profitable. In addition to being raised for pets they are also valued very highly for the exquisite flavor of their meat, and Belgian hare is considered quite a delicacy in the flesh line.

Mr. Durham has posted himself on the subject and has spent some time learning just how to treat the hares in the matter of feed, etc. He expects, with ordinary good luck to be able very soon to raise all the meat he needs for his own use, and to have a surplus at his disposal for the benefit of those who enjoy a dainty dish.

WANTED:—A resident agent for Cape Girardeau and surrounding to sell coffee and tea with presents to families. Big pay.

ATHLETIC TEA CO.,
917 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

A WILD WEST SHOW.

Jackson Bloods Loose their Wads, their Watches and Smash their Buggy.

Two of the blue bloods of Jackson came to this city Tuesday. They came to see the sights of a big city, "take in the town" and have a good time, they saw the sights "took in the town" and no doubt they had a good time. They came early and stayed late. They blew themselves and blowed everybody else. When they left for home, sweet home out on goose creek they were feeling good. They were loaded but they were not noisy. They were too full for utterance but they were in a hurry to get out of a fast city. Fast life was too much for them. They gave their blooded steed—a Mexican plug, the reins and two miles out of town they had a head end collision—both were spilled out, the buggy was smashed and they lost their wads, watches and all. Come again, boys, and if you don't see what you want ask for it.

Considerable interest has been aroused among the amusement patrons of this city, owing to the announcement of the early appearance of Harry Ward's Magnificent Minstrels and the indications are that the Opera House will be packed to the doors on the 29th of September. Mr. Ward has always been the leader in the minstrel line, and has organized companies that were far above all other, and this season he advances a step farther and even out-does his greatest efforts of the past, by presenting a company composed of the pick and cream of the entire minstrel world. Seats will be on sale at Miss Amy Kimmel's.

Stops the Cough and Works off the Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, no Pay. Price 25 cents.

A Big Stock of Goods.

Charles Stehr, of the firm of Nussbaum & Stehr, returned home from St. Louis last week where he spent a week or ten days selecting goods for the fall and winter trade. The goods are now in and consists of the largest and best stock the firm has ever displayed in their store.

Messrs. Nussbaum & Stehr are experienced merchants and they handle nothing but the best of goods both in the grocery and dry goods lines. They invite an inspection of their stock and they guarantee satisfaction both as to quality, and prices.

"Always get the best," quote Lord Bacon, and as near as we can learn he practiced what he preached. The management of Harry Ward's Magnificent Minstrels has followed in the footsteps of this learned personage in the way of organizing the company, and will present to the amusement patrons in a few days an attraction without a peer, and one that stands out with its long list of star artists like a beacon light above the desert of time worn minstrelsy.

NEVER PULL DOWN THE FLAG.

Buffalo Bill Comes Out Enthusiastically for Expansion.

Col. W. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) while discussing politics in Kansas City the other day, said:

"It does not take much of an American to be an expansionist," the Colonel told one of his audiences. "I may be wrong about what an 'expansionist' is, but I am the same sort of broad and progressive American as the men who took in the Louisiana purchase, which Democrats as well as Republicans are preparing to celebrate down at St. Louis. The flag is up in the Philippines, and we ought to keep it up. The stars and stripes have always found the right way, and it is not for me to discover the way has been wrong. There is no deviation that I can find in the path, and, gentlemen, I am not isolated in my views. I have been pretty much over this country on tour, and I find I am merely thinking as the masses do. We may not do so much talking, but there are more of us. Look at the way they are receiving Roosevelt. They have gone wild over him wherever I have struck his trail. He is the greatest magnetizer the country holds to-day. You will never see Roosevelt haul down the flag anywhere. We think alike on that score."

The New Railroad.

No intelligent citizen who keeps his eyes open both at home and abroad needs to be told what railroads do for communities. He has seen waste places blossom as the rose; farms spring up where there was a howling wilderness; cities or towns built on the site of a swamp or other worthless lands, and he has been given time and again ocular demonstration of the value of railroads to sections of the country through which they pass.

In addition to building up communities in the matter of increasing the population, railroads bring market closer to the producer, the merchant nearer to the farmer, so that both are mutually benefitted; they encourage factories and other industries, make rates lower where competition exists, and more railroads always mean prosperity, better and cheaper shipping facilities and a larger volume of business.

The wide-awake citizen, the man who not only desires to see his town prosperous but who is ready to endure the measures which make it so, does not have to be told of the matters enumerated above, for he is already familiar with them. But there is a class in all communities that is opposed to everything in the way of improvement and progress. This class is content to drag along in the old rut and has neither the ability or inclination to get out of it. Being constitutional opponents of progress they are quite naturally opposed to those things which tend for the general uplifting and betterment of the community, and no one is surprised that they oppose railroads or in fact anything that will improve the condition of affairs generally. Fortunately for the rest of mankind these croakers have but little influence anywhere. The calamity howler and chronic grumbler are not popular in any locality, and are certainly not so in Cape Girardeau.

The enterprising people of this city are much interested in the entrance here of Houck's Missouri and Arkansas Railroad, and in spite of what a few soreheads may say they will use all their influence as business men to see that the road is granted anything reasonable and fair that it may ask. The men are up to date, they have their capital invested here and they know what the entrance of this road into the city means to the best interests of the Cape. They know it is a question of the most vital importance to the commercial prosperity of the city, and they will allow nothing to go undone which will contribute in even a small degree to the object specified.

The road is being built rapidly, it will soon want certain rights of way through the city, and in fact it has already knocked at our door for admission. The great question which now faces the people of this community is, will we open the door and receive the new comer with a hearty and unanimous welcome, or will we say "depart, and trouble us no more." The DEMOCRAT most sincerely believes the welcome will be extended.

WANTED AT ONCE:—100 right of way cutters. Will pay from \$1.25 and up per day. Apply or call on J. N. Booth, Latta, Mo.

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